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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers** 

**Inland Waterways Users Board Meeting Notice** 

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of open Federal advisory committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Army is publishing this notice to announce the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Inland Waterways Users Board (Board). This meeting is open to the public. For additional information about the Board, please visit the committee's website at http://www.iwr.usace.army.mil/Missions/Navigation/InlandWaterwaysUsersBoard.aspx. **DATES:** The Army Corps of Engineers, Inland Waterways Users Board will meet from

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on December 13, 2016. Public registration will begin at 8:15 a.m. **ADDRESSES:** The Board meeting will be conducted at The Conference Center at the

Maritime Institute, 692 Maritime Boulevard, Linthicum Heights, Maryland 21090 (near

Baltimore), 410-859-5700, or http://www.ccmit.org.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Mark R. Pointon, the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) for the committee, in writing at the Institute for Water Resources, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CEIWR-GM, 7701 Telegraph Road, Casey Building, Alexandria, VA 22315-3868; by telephone at 703-428-6438; and by e-mail at Mark.Pointon@usace.army.mil. Alternatively, contact Mr. Kenneth E. Lichtman, the Alternate Designated Federal Officer (ADFO), in writing at the Institute for Water

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Resources, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CEIWR-GW, 7701 Telegraph Road, Casey Building, Alexandria, VA 22315-3868; by telephone at 703-428-8083; and by e-mail at *Kenneth.E.Lichtman* @usace.army.mil.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The committee meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. § 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR § 102-3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: The Board is chartered to provide independent advice and recommendations to the Secretary of the Army on construction and rehabilitation project investments on the commercial navigation features of the inland waterways system of the United States. At this meeting, the Board will receive briefings and presentations regarding the investments, projects and status of the inland waterways system of the United States and conduct discussions and deliberations on those matters. The Board is interested in written and verbal comments from the public relevant to these purposes.

Agenda: At this meeting the agenda will include the status of FY 2017 funding for the Navigation Program, and an initial laydown display of the total funding for the Navigation Program; the Benefit-Cost Ratios (BCRs) and Remaining Benefit-Remaining Cost Ratio for projects being funded by the Inland Waterways Trust Fund; status of the Inland Waterways Trust Fund and project updates, including Lockport project completion closeout details; additional modifications to the Lock Performance Monitoring System (LPMS); the Corps of Engineers planning process and scheduling for external input; the status of the Olmsted Locks and Dam Project, and the Locks and

Dams 2, 3, and 4 on the Monongahela River Project to include benefits and revised BCR without deferred project features; and updates of Kentucky Lock and Chickamauga Lock.

Availability of Materials for the Meeting. A copy of the agenda or any updates to the agenda for the December 13, 2016 meeting. The final version will be provided at the meeting. All materials will be posted to the website after the meeting.

Public Accessibility to the Meeting: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR § 102–3.140 through 102–3.1 65, and subject to the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Registration of members of the public who wish to attend the meeting will begin at 8:15 a.m. on the day of the meeting. Seating is limited and is on a first-to-arrive basis. Attendees will be asked to provide their name, title, affiliation, and contact information to include e-mail address and daytime telephone number at registration. Any interested person may attend the meeting, file written comments or statements with the committee, or make verbal comments from the floor during the public meeting, at the times, and in the manner, permitted by the committee, as set forth below.

Special Accommodations: The meeting venue is fully handicap accessible, with wheelchair access. Individuals requiring special accommodations to access the public meeting or seeking additional information about public access procedures, should contact Mr. Pointon, the committee DFO, or Mr. Lichtman, the ADFO, at the email addresses or telephone numbers listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section, at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Written Comments or Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR § 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments or statements to the Board about its mission and/or the topics to be addressed in this public meeting. Written comments or statements should be submitted to Mr. Pointon, the committee DFO, or Mr. Lichtman, the committee ADFO, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the addresses listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section in the following formats: Adobe Acrobat or Microsoft Word. The comment or statement must include the author's name, title, affiliation, address, and daytime telephone number. Written comments or statements being submitted in response to the agenda set forth in this notice must be received by the committee DFO or ADFO at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting so that they may be made available to the Board for its consideration prior to the meeting. Written comments or statements received after this date may not be provided to the Board until its next meeting. Please note that because the Board operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, all written comments will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection.

Verbal Comments: Members of the public will be permitted to make verbal comments during the Board meeting only at the time and in the manner allowed herein. If a member of the public is interested in making a verbal comment at the open meeting, that individual must submit a request, with a brief statement of the subject matter to be addressed by the comment, at least three business (3) days in advance to the committee DFO or ADFO, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the

addresses listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section. The

committee DFO and ADFO will log each request to make a comment, in the order

received, and determine whether the subject matter of each comment is relevant to the

Board's mission and/or the topics to be addressed in this public meeting. A 15-minute

period near the end of the meeting will be available for verbal public comments.

Members of the public who have requested to make a verbal comment and whose

comments have been deemed relevant under the process described above, will be

allotted no more than three (3) minutes during this period, and will be invited to speak in

the order in which their requests were received by the DFO and ADFO.

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